

## GREEK CITY IS SEIZED

Drama in Northeastern Part of the Nation Has Fallen Before Bulgarian Attack, and 120 Soldiers in the Garrison Were Killed, According to Despatch Received in Paris

## THREE FORTS TAKEN IN THE OPERATIONS

Drama Is Located 70 Miles from Saloniki and Lies in the District East of the Struma River, Which the Bulgarians Have Been Occupying for Fortnight

Paris, Aug. 30.—The city of Drama in northeastern Greece has been seized by Bulgarians after a battle with the Greek garrison, telegraphs the Athens correspondent of Matin. The dispatch says the Bulgarians captured three forts and took prisoner the Greek garrison of 120 and that number of soldiers were killed. This news is confirmed, the correspondent adds, by refugees reaching Athens.

Drama is one of the principal towns in northeastern Greece, located 70 miles from Saloniki in the district east of the Struma river, which the Bulgarians have been occupying the past fortnight.

## MORE PROGRESS BY FRENCH NEAR FLEURY

Paris Official Statement Also Reports the French Gained Ground West of Vardar River in the Eastern Theatre of War.

Paris, Aug. 30.—Severe fighting is in progress on the Macedonian front. The war office report to-day says the French gained ground west of the Vardar river; Bulgarian attacks west of Lake Ostrovo were repulsed by Serbians; the entente allies bombarded Bulgarian positions on the Struma front near Lake Doiran; and violent artillery fighting continued in the region of Ostrovo and Vetrnik.

On the western front the French launched another attack east of Fleury and made further progress, the announcement says.

## KAISER SWAPS WAR CHIEF

Von Hindenburg Succeeds Von Falkenhayn, Who Was Dismissed.

Berlin, via Copenhagen, to London, Aug. 30.—The emperor has dismissed Gen. Erich von Falkenhayn and appointed Field Marshal Von Hindenburg chief of the general staff.

Copenhagen, via London, Aug. 30.—The Ritz News agency publishes a despatch from Berlin giving the official announcement of Gen. von Falkenhayn's dismissal by the emperor as chief of the general staff and the appointment of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg to that post. Gen. von Ludendorff, Von Hindenburg's chief of staff, the despatch adds, has been appointed first quartermaster general.

## ALREADY IN TRANSYLVANIA

Rumanians Said to Have Occupied Two Important Cities.

Paris, Aug. 30.—Petit Parisien publishes the report that the Rumanians, having forced their way into Transylvania, have occupied two important cities beyond the mountains.

## RUMANIAN CAVALRY ADVANCES

Said to Have Crossed Rothenthurm Pass on Way to Hermannstadt.

London, Aug. 30.—"It is persistently rumored here," telegraphs the Central News correspondent at Zurich, Switzerland, "that Rumanian cavalry has crossed Rothenthurm pass and is now approaching Hermannstadt, Hungary."

## WHITMAN DECLARES IGNORANCE

Of Alleged Forged Signatures to His Primary Petitions.

New York, Aug. 30.—Governor Whitman declared here last night that he had no knowledge of alleged forged signatures to Progressive primary petitions circulated in behalf of himself and other Republican candidates as charged by John J. O'Connell, chairman of the New York central Progressive committee.

## KING FERDINAND IN COMMAND.

Is Said to Be Leading Rumanian Troops in Hungary.

London, Aug. 30.—To meet the exigencies of the situation created by Rumania's entrance into the war on the side of the entente allies, King Ferdinand has ordered a general mobilization of his forces and is reported to have proceeded to the front personally to take command of his army.

Unofficial advices from the Rumanian front are to the effect that the Rumanians are making furious efforts to capture passes in the eastern Carpathians leading into Hungary, and already they are declared to be fighting shoulder to shoulder with Russian troops coming from Bukovina. While Berlin says that Rumania's attempts to pierce the pass leading to Hermannstadt and the Torenzburger and Tormen passes thus far have been futile, Vienna admits that owing to a "far-reaching encircling movement by strong Rumanian forces," Austrian advanced detachments have been forced to withdraw.

What Greece's attitude will be as a result of Rumania's joining the entente allies is still problematical, but unofficial advices to London express the belief that the Hellenic kingdom will shortly throw in its lot with the entente. A pro-entente demonstration in Athens passed a resolution saying that if the people were not heard in their demand that Greece join the entente powers, "we must take council as to what is to be done to minimize the ruin which awaits us." The occupation by the Bulgarians of Kavala is declared to have intensified the feelings of the Greeks, who are said to be willing to follow former Premier Venizelos in any action he may advise. Venizelos is strongly pro-entente.

## VIGOROUS WORK BY UNIVERSALISTS

Reports Presented to Convention in St. Johnsbury To-day Tell of Progress Made by the Denomination.

St. Johnsbury, Aug. 30.—The giving of reports by officers and committees occupied this morning's session of the Universalist convention in Vermont and the Province of Quebec. Rev. George F. Fortier of St. Albans, the state superintendent, reported that during the year he had preached 134 times, officiated at five funerals, christened 17 children, baptized three adults, admitted 26 to church membership, observed communion 16 times, traveled 15,919 miles, supplied 157 pulpits, aided in settling pastors in 12 parishes, helped to place pastors in 16 summer parishes, helped to revive three dormant parishes and place them under pastors, assisted in newly establishing seven summer parishes and started a new parish. There are now 39 parishes and 17 summer parishes in the convention domain.

The executive board reported that one church building at Moos River, P. Q., has been sold and five parishes have been aided; the fund increased by \$1,800 and the permanent fund by \$900. The convention has come in possession of the historic Hosea Ballou church at Barnard and established a nucleus for historic collection. The entire records of the convention have been copied and the original records will be more carefully preserved.

The fellowship committee reported a total of 38 clergymen; one has died, one is a chaplain in the United States army and one is inactive because of illness.

The annual convention service was addressed by Rev. H. H. Niles of Lyndonville, Supt. C. H. Smith of the Vermont Anti-Saloon League, Rev. C. E. Bingham of Northfield and Rev. George S. Delano of Chester. It was announced that the Brattleboro church has given a communion service to the church at Barnard.

This afternoon Dr. Frederick J. Russell, superintendent of the school for the feeble-minded at Brandon, was the speaker.

## READY TO LEAVE

Three Hundred Vermont Soldiers on the Qui Vive.

Burlington, Aug. 30.—Six officers and 293 enlisted men of the Vermont National Guard are ready to leave at any time for the border. Equipment and rations are complete. The following are the officers:

Adj. Gen. Lee S. Tillotson of St. Albans; Capt. B. S. Hyland of Rutland, a company; Capt. E. W. Gibson of Brattleboro, a company; Capt. George E. Carpenter of Northfield, commanding the machine gun company; First Lieut. H. P. Sheldon of Fair Haven, battalion adjutant; Maj. Edmund J. Melville of St. Albans, camp physician.

The only complete unit is the machine gun company of 53 men. The others are: Headquarters detachment of 50 men which, with eight on the border, compose a company; the supply detachment of 31 men with one on the border, and 158 unassigned recruits.

## BAPTIST OFFICERS CHOSEN

At Shaftsbury Association Meeting Held in Brandon.

Brandon, Aug. 30.—The second day of the meetings of the Shaftsbury Association of Baptist Churches was very largely attended. Rev. A. R. Mills of the local Baptist church, Rev. G. A. Kerr and Walter Thorpe of the Methodist and Congregational churches welcomed the members and Rev. W. A. Davidson, D. D., gave an address. At 1:45 Rev. Thomas Adams of Ira conducted devotional services. There was a women's service at 2:30 o'clock, addresses being given by Mrs. A. B. Upham, Miss Clara A. Converse and Miss Alice Bixby of Japan. In the evening Dr. P. H. J. Lerrigo of Boston and Rev. Dr. F. A. Agar of New York City gave addresses.

The following officers were elected at the ministers' conference: President, Rev. J. S. Brown of Manchester; vice-president, Rev. George W. Peck, Jr., of Rutland; secretary, Rev. J. H. Blackburn of Fair Haven. The officers elected for the Shaftsbury association were: Moderator, Rev. E. J. Nye of East Hubbardston; clerk, Rev. A. Aubert of Wallingford; treasurer, Rev. M. Bixby of Poultney.

## 92 CASUALTIES ON U.S. CRUISER THAT WAS LOST

Twenty-One Men Are Dead, Seven Are Seriously Injured, and 67 Were Hurt on the Memphis When She Was Blown Ashore at Santo Domingo City

## SCORE WERE DROWNED FROM MOTORBOAT

Bursting of Steam Main on the Cruiser Caused Most of the Other Casualties—Gunboat Was Also Caught in Wind but Managed to Escape

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—One enlisted man was killed, two officers and five men were seriously injured and 67 others were hurt aboard the cruiser Memphis, in addition to those lost by drowning, when the ship was wrecked in a storm yesterday at Santo Domingo City. Rear Admiral Pond's dispatch to-day said that a steam main burst, causing the additional casualties. Last night's report said that twenty men who were returning to the ship in a motorboat were drowned.

Admiral Pond's first report, received last night, was as follows: "Memphis driven ashore by heavy sea, San Domingo City west of lighthouse, at 4:30 p. m. She is lying close under bluff, has lines ashore and is getting crew off. Heavy sea came up suddenly and ship was unable to get up steam in time to save herself. Twenty men of liberty party drowned on way back to ship. (Gunboat) dragged close in but did not strike and got out to sea. No other casualties known. Memphis was total loss. Expect to save everybody on board."

The United States cruiser Memphis was formerly the armored cruiser Tennessee, her name having been changed May 25 last. Recently the Memphis has been doing duty in San Domingo waters in connection with the revolution in that country.

She is a vessel of 14,500 tons and has a horsepower of 23,000. Her complement is 990 men. She is the flagship of the cruiser force of the United States Atlantic fleet.

Capt. E. L. Beach commanded the Memphis.

## ONE COLUMN BLANK

In the Orange County Official Ballot—That Is National Progressive.

Chelsea, Aug. 30.—Nominating petitions for candidates for county office have been filed with the county clerk agreeable to the provisions of the new primary law. The official ballot will have three columns, as follows: One each for the Republican, Democratic and National Progressive parties. The candidates to be voted for on Sept. 12 are as follows: In the Republican column will appear the names of Charles H. Bigelow of Brookfield and George C. Flint of Braintree, for senator; George L. Stow of Chelsea, for judge of probate for the Randolph district; Hammon T. Baldwin of Newbury, for judge of probate for the Bradford district; Clinton A. Adams of Chelsea, for assistant judges; Azro A. Reed of Williamstown, for sheriff; John C. Sherburne of Randolph, for state's attorney; and William E. Wright of Washington, for high bailiff. In the Democratic column, Victor A. Grant of Randolph for senator is the only name that will appear and the National Progressive column will be blank.

Stanley C. Wilson, the present representative, has filed petitions as a candidate to succeed himself and it is not expected that there will be any opposition, as no other candidate has filed papers for that office.

## VOTERS APATHETIC.

Few Appeared for the Revision of the Checklist.

If the attendance at the first meeting of the board of civil authority in Barre for the revision of the checklist may be taken as an earnest of the interest manifested in the forthcoming primary election, then there is reason for believing that the electorate is rather apathetic. Ten members of the board were present. Frank G. Howland acting as chairman, and only 19 changes were made. Few of these were additions, as a majority of the 19 appearances were transfers from one ward to another. The names of 45 voters who are believed to have moved out of town since the last election were stricken from the list, and the clerk was instructed to advise the removals of the action taken. The board was adjourned probably the last session of the board for the revision of the list will be held next Tuesday evening in the courtroom at 8 o'clock.

The following names were entered last night: Ward 1—Alex. Burnett, Harry Davidson, Raymond C. Cave.

Ward 2—Ewen McKenzie, J. N. Harvey, James Somers, James T. Kenefick, James M. Langley, A. E. Nichols.

Ward 3—Ira N. Houston, Harold J. Morse, John Lane.

Ward 5—William Brown. Ward 6—John J. Kennedy, Stanton Wagnett, William R. Parry, Michael C. Morgan, Charles T. Sibley, L. J. Irish. There were no appearances from the fourth ward.

## VERMONT TROOPS ARE EXPECTED AT 4 P. M. AT MONTPELIER JCT.

Special Train Carrying Remainder of Soldiers to the Mexican Boundary Will Leave Essex Junction Early This Afternoon It Is Thought.

The special train carrying the Vermont troops, six officers and 293 enlisted men, members of the National Guard, who have been in camp at Essex Junction since the departure of the first contingent over two months ago, is expected to pass through Montpelier Junction about 4 o'clock this afternoon. Arrangements have been made by a large number of Montpelier people to make the trip to the junction and bid the boys goodbye, and two barrels of apples, a barrel of crackers and 300 doughnuts have been purchased and will be given the soldiers while the train stops. A sufficiently large amount of tobacco to insure every member of the party being supplied for the present at least has also been purchased.

Following is the list of Montpelier boys who are in the companies which join their comrades on the border: Edward Parizo, Fred J. Gitchell, George A. Lawson, William Johnson, J. D. Rea, Lester D. Morecroft, Herbert L. Crapo, Francis C. Miller, Donald C. Fellows, Harold Hovey and Ray Parrott of Montpelier and Jack McHugh and Michael Ceroi of Barre. The last four named are members of the machine gun company which is captained by George E. Carpenter and which has a membership of 53.

## THIRD CASE IN VERMONT.

Infantile Paralysis Breaks Out in Woodstock.

Burlington, Aug. 30.—There were, at last reports, last evening three positive cases of poliomyelitis, or infantile paralysis, in the state of Vermont. This, however, is as the members of the state board of health and physicians who are working at and understand much of the disease had expected, and there is no reason for great alarm as an epidemic is not expected. Because of the greatest possible precautions which have been taken by the state board of health, the state has been kept free from contagion by carriers who have come into Vermont from other states. However, it was expected that there would be cases scattered over the state, this being an almost inevitable outcome of the passage through the state of so many from districts where the disease has been raging for several weeks past.

The first two cases found were those of Hopkins and Thurston Hulet, aged 13 and 14 years, sons of H. A. Hulet, who runs the Lake Shaftsbury house at Arlington. These two cases were probably caught by the boys from carriers of the disease from New York state, the house being a popular stopping place just off the main road to Manchester. One of the boys has both legs affected by the paralysis and the other has one side of his face and one arm paralyzed. Tests at the state laboratory yesterday confirmed the diagnosis made by the physicians in attendance. The third case to be reported is that of a 20-month-old baby girl in Woodstock. This infant was not very ill. Following a slight intestinal trouble it was discovered that one arm was affected with paralysis. This is also a positive case and was probably taken of carriers from Massachusetts.

## DEATH OF PLAINFIELD GIRL

Miss Maud Townsend Died of Infantile Paralysis at Jersey City.

Word was received in Barre and Plainfield to-day of the death at a hospital in Jersey City, N. J., of Miss Maud Townsend, a well known Plainfield young woman, from infantile paralysis. Death occurred last evening, the young lady having been taken sick a week or 10 days ago while she was employed in a summer hotel in Asbury Park, N. J. She was promptly removed to the hospital in Jersey City, where she continued to decline rapidly. The remains are to be brought to Plainfield early Thursday morning.

Miss Townsend was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Townsend, and she also leaves a sister, Miss Minnie Townsend. Mrs. Frank Trow of Barre town is an aunt of the young woman. In Plainfield, where the young woman was born and received her education, she was very popular. She went to Asbury Park early in the summer to be employed in a hotel.

## COUNTS BERNSTORFF ARRIVES.

Wife of German Ambassador Reached New York on Dutch Steamer.

New York, Aug. 30.—Countess von Bernstorff, wife of the German ambassador to the United States, arrived here yesterday on the Danish steamer Fredrick VIII. She was met at quarantine by the ambassador, who went down the bay on a United States coast guard cutter.

## HELD FIELD MEETING.

Vernon Grange and Windham County Agricultural Association.

Brattleboro, Aug. 30.—About 100 attended a field meeting of Vernon grange and the Windham County Agricultural association at A. A. Dunklee's farm in South Vernon yesterday. Addresses were made by Magnus Tolstrup, market agent of the Vermont department of agriculture; Prof. George E. Story of the Vermont Agricultural college, and H. J. Wilder, soil specialist of the United States department of agriculture.

## SMALL ATTENDANCE

At Vermont State League of Postmasters at St. Albans.

St. Albans, Aug. 30.—There was but small attendance at the annual meeting of the Vermont State League of Postmasters of the third and fourth class which opened here yesterday afternoon. Among the officers were the president, W. W. Wright, Montgomery Center and Sec. Robert H. Royce of Johnson. The postmasters went to Swanton and inspected the postoffice there. They were entertained at luncheon last evening at the Taquahunga club.

## ASKS WORKERS TO POSTPONE STRIKE ORDER

President Wilson Directed His Efforts Today to the Leaders of the Brotherhoods to Avert the Strike, Which Threatens to Become Effective Sept. 4

## MAY PUBLICLY ASK ORDER BE RESCINDED

Every Flour Mill in Minneapolis Will Be Shut Down 30 Minutes After Strike Order Becomes Effective, Declares One of the Leading Companies

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—President Wilson is making efforts to-day to have the brotherhoods call off or postpone the strike order, effective September 4. There were indications that unless action is taken by the brotherhood leaders in the near future, the president may publicly ask the railway workers that the strike order be rescinded.

The continued efforts by all the agencies of the administration to induce the brotherhoods to recall the strike order were the outstanding features of the day to-day. All the influences that could be brought to bear were being utilized in an effort to convince the labor leaders that their action in calling a strike while the negotiations were still proceeding should be rescinded.

The brotherhood officials, after securing copies of the proposed bill affecting the situation, went into conference with Secretary of Labor Wilson. The Senate interstate commerce committee adopted a resolution providing for hearings on the proposed legislation, beginning at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Railroad officials, brotherhood officials and shippers' representatives were invited to appear. The committee has under consideration the tentative drafts of three bills. One covers the proposed eight-hour day and creating a wage commission. Another amends the Newlands act to make arbitration more effective. The third provides for government operation of railroads for military necessities.

The brotherhood heads insisted that they had not been requested by the president of any other administration official to postpone the strike and they said that nothing but a satisfactory settlement of their demands could prevent a walk-out.

## EVERY FLOUR MILL IN MINNEAPOLIS WILL BE CLOSED

Within Half an Hour After Railroad Strike Order Becomes Effective—All the Mills There are Filled to Their Capacity.

Minneapolis, Aug. 30.—Every flour mill in the city will be closed 30 minutes after the order for a nation-wide railroad strike becomes effective, according to the announcement to-day by the Washburn-Crosby company. All the mills in the city are filled to their capacity with no available storage space and no way in which to move the output, says the statement.

## RAILROADS RUSH EMBARGO ORDERS

Some Have Already Refused to Take Shipments of Livestock and Perishables—Even Passengers are Warned They May Be Delayed.

Chicago, Aug. 30.—The railroads of the nation rushed preparations to-day to enforce an embargo on perishable freight. Shipments of livestock and perishables were refused on some roads to-day. Others issued a warning that perishables which cannot reach their destination by Saturday cannot be accepted. Associated Press dispatches from all parts of the country indicated that within 48 hours, unless a delay in the strike is ordered, embargo orders will be effective on virtually every railroad. From Chicago, the railroad center of the country, orders were flashed to ticket agents to inform passengers that unless they reach their destination by Sunday night they may be subjected to perplexing delays.

## GRAND TRUNK NOT AFFECTED.

Says President Chamberlin, If a Strike is Called.

Montreal, Aug. 30.—The Grand Trunk railway system will not be affected by the strike, according to a statement made to-day by E. J. Chamberlin, president of the road.

## INCREASED RATE TARIFF IS HELD UP BY COMMISSIONERS

Changes Which It is Estimated Would Bring \$30,000,000 Additional Revenue to Railroads Were to Have Become Effective To-night.

rates from the east to inter-mountain territory and from the Pacific coast to the east, which it is estimated would bring about \$20,000,000 additional annual revenue, were suspended to-day by the interstate commerce commission. The increases were to have become effective at midnight.

## CONDUCTORS' UNION IS ENJOINED FROM GOING ON STRIKE

Judge in Omaha Court Issued Order on Petition of a Member of the Union Who Declares He Wants Continue at Work.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 30.—J. Willis E. Sears of the district court of Douglas county to-day issued an order restraining the local officials of the Omaha Railway Conductors from calling for enforcing a strike on the lines of the Union Pacific railroad. The order was issued on the petition of Edwin Hamilton, a conductor on the Union Pacific line and a member of the order, who declares that he and many other employees of the road desire to continue at work.

## A RAILROAD EMBARGO

Will Be in Force on the New Haven System in View of Strike Situation.

New York, Aug. 30.—The New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co. announced last night that because of the impending railroad strike it will refuse hereafter all shipments of freight which cannot be delivered before 7 a. m. on Sept. 4.

With the announcement it was learned that similar action is being considered by the other roads entering the city.

Albert Hardin, vice-president of the New York Central, said that A. H. Smith, the president, was expected here from Washington to-day, when the question of establishing an embargo probably would be considered.

The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western officials discussed the subject, but according to P. J. Flynn, one of the vice-presidents, reached no definite decision. Mr. Flynn asserted, however, that the road's position probably would be announced by Thursday morning.

The Pennsylvania and other roads here it was said also are undecided as yet, but probably will announce their positions with respect to embargoes in a day or two.

## FIVE PETITIONS DISMISSED

And 33 Applicants Were Granted Citizenship Papers.

Judge Harland B. Howe of St. Johnsbury, presiding at a session of United States district court held in Montpelier yesterday for naturalization purposes, granted citizenship papers to 33 applicants, 18 cases were continued, 14 by request and two for study, and five were dismissed, one by request, because of lack of evidence that the applicants have resided in this country for the necessary length of time. Yesterday's session was the start of a three days' stay of the court officials in Montpelier and it is expected before Thursday night nearly 200 new citizens will have been made. Clerk Fred S. Platt is also granting the first papers and taking applications for the second. Other court officials are United States Marshal Carpenter of Rutland, Deputy Marshal George F. Lackey of Montpelier and Examiner Allan F. Church of Boston.

Following is the list of those granted the final papers, together with their present residence and native country: Pasquale D'Julio, Barre, Italy; Elio Mammolo, Barre, Italy; John Robinson, Barre, Canada; James McLeod, Barre, Scotland; George Silvestro Sironi, Barre, Italy; Luigi Miro, Barre, Italy; Giuseppe Capra, Barre, Italy; Arthur Hibberd Lund, Barre, England; Thomas Nicol, Barre, Scotland; Vincenzo Lettini, Barre, Italy; Jose Acosta, Barre, Spain; Nicola Cuzzone, Berlin, Italy; Nicola Sabine D'Agostino, Barre, Italy; John McDonald, Barre, Scotland; James McDonald, Barre, Scotland; James Joseph McTigue, Barre, Ireland; Carl Alfred Olson, Barre, Sweden; James Vernon Laing, Barre, Scotland; Arthur William Pirie, Barre, Scotland; James Grant Murray, South Barre, Scotland; William Admar Wright, Barre, New Brunswick; James Ingram, Barre, Scotland; James Andrew, Barre, Scotland; Frank Grant Wilson, Barre, Scotland; Anton Erickson, Barre, Finland; Ernesto Pasetto, Barre, Italy; Calixte Simoneau, Barre, Canada; Angelo Luigi Purielli, Barre, Italy; Guido Fontana, Barre, Italy; John Lotti, Barre, Italy; Antonio Bernasconi, Barre, Italy; Alexander Jack Kirton, Barre, Scotland; Carl Arvid Carlson, Berlin, Sweden.

Those who applied for the second papers to Clerk Platt yesterday afternoon are: evening watchman Alfred Helie, Northfield, Canada; Olimpo Cardarelli, Northfield, Italy; John Kalizeem, Montpelier, Russia; Erik Lavanas, Montpelier, Sweden; Donato Coletti, Waterbury, Italy.

First papers were granted to Francisco Rossi, Montpelier, Italy; Joseph Carr, Montpelier, Russia.

## TAKEN SUDDENLY ILL

Mason Sheldon Collapsed While at Work in North End.

Mason Sheldon, a teamster's assistant employed by N. M. Nelson, was taken suddenly ill while unloading shot at the D. K. Lillie plant in Blackwell street this forenoon. Employees of Mr. Lillie and the driver of the team noticed his condition and hurry calls were sent in for a doctor and an ambulance. When Dr. O. G. Stickney arrived the man was unconscious and a few moments later he was taken to the City Hospital in the Perry & Noonan ambulance.

This afternoon it was stated that Sheldon was suffering from spasms, to which he has been subject at times for a week past. He had not wholly recovered, it was said, although his condition indicated that he would be able to leave the hospital within a few days. Sheldon's home is in the A. Tomasi block and he has been in the employ of Mr. Nelson but a short time.

## THEATRE LEASE FOR J.E. HOBAN

Aldermen Voted to Award Contract for \$800 for the Year

## MR. HOBAN FORMERLY RESIDENT MANAGER

Several Other Matters Attended to at Regular Meeting of Board

For a year the board of aldermen settled the vexed question of the opera house lease last evening by authorizing the property committee to sign a contract with John E. Hoban, who is to pay \$800 for the rental of the theatre from Sept. 1, next, to Sept. 1, 1917. The decision to award the lease to Mr. Hoban followed a summer of profligate negotiations which seemed to reach a climax some weeks ago when the city council put an estoppel on the activity of its property committee by voting to ignore all bids under \$1,200. A report recommending that Mr. Hoban's offer of \$800 be honored with acceptance was offered by the committee last night and accepted without a dissenting vote.

Theatre goers in Barre will look with expectancy upon the return of Mr. Hoban to the management of the opera house, as his experience in that capacity while acting for Fox & Eaton during a period of nearly 10 years was markedly successful. Mr. Hoban is out of the city just now and it is not known whether he will be connected with the Fox & Eaton circuit in 1916-1917. The present lessees, Nelson & Austin, are to relinquish their hold on the theatre to-morrow night.

With a session of the board of civil authority slated for 8 o'clock, the aldermen hurried through a budget of routine business and reached adjournment in time to participate in the revision of the checklist in the courtroom. Copies of a pamphlet containing the engineers' specifications for the proposed granite bridge over South Main street were distributed to each member of the board and there was some talk of listening to a report from the street committee on its conference with the street railway officials, but it was finally decided to defer the hearing.

A notice from the secretary of state informed the city clerk that the names of all Barre residents serving with the National Guard or elsewhere in the military service of the United States be forwarded to him was read and referred back to the clerk to comply with the request. The names are to be used in connection with balloting in the September primaries as a result of legislation passed at the special session of the general assembly, when it was voted to give the ballot to the front a chance to vote. The clerk also stated that Adj. Gen. L. S. Tillotson had furnished him with a list of Barre City and Barre Town residents who are enrolled in the Vermont National Guard at Eagle Pass, Tex.

On the recommendation of the building inspector, permits were granted the following applicants: Presbury-Coykendall Co., to erect a garage near their stone shed; McDonnell & Sons and others to erect a tool-sharpening shed on Circle street. The inspector's monthly report, referring to 34 minor permits granted, was read and accepted. Walter Emery of Elm street was given permission to move a henhouse with the reservation that the location be satisfactory to the building inspector.

Wiring permits were granted as follows: D. Ossola, to install a motor in a spaghetti establishment; Montpelier & Barre Light & Power Co., to install three meters in Barre residences; G. Aja, to install electric lights in residence on Berlin street; Homer Fitts, to install lights in Cliff street house. J. B. Esteo of the state fair commission was given permission to stretch a fair banner across the main street with the usual restrictions.

Alderman Reynolds voiced a complaint of Maple avenue people to the effect that poplar trees in that district are becoming obnoxious through the mushroom growth of long branches that overhang the walk. It was set forth in the complaint that the boughs interfere with the comfort of pedestrians, especially in rainy weather, and the grievance was referred to the chairman of the street committee. The member from ward 4 also called attention to the unsafe condition of the Prospect avenue sidewalk and asked for action. The matter was left with the street committee to investigate.

Warrants were approved for payment in the following order: Street department payroll, \$432.49, sprinkling, sewers, sidewalk and health accounts; water department payroll, \$68.49; fire department payroll, \$79.30; police department payroll, \$86.47; G. A. Remis, \$14, services as janitor; Martin Riley, \$4, services as assessor; R. D. Wood Co., \$2,304.97, iron pipe; C. Luis, S. Corey, A. Bottiggi, Mrs. James Booth and George Reid, \$4.80 each for tax rebates; F. H. Tracy, \$70.95, J. Broggini's board bill at the county jail; Washington County Farm bureau, \$274.84, city's share of county tax.

## HIGH PRICES FOR CATTLE

Sixty Head of Holsteins Sold at Brattleboro for \$9,000.

Brattleboro, Aug. 30.—At an auction sale of Holstein cattle here yesterday, in the new pavilion erected by the Pure Red Live Stock Sales Co. of Brattleboro, 60 head were sold for a total of about \$9,000. Several of the animals will go to Chicago and several to Arizona.

A two-year-old heifer, consigned by J. W. Prentiss & Son of Alstead, N. H., brought the highest price of the day, F. H. Metcalf of Holyoke, Mass., paying \$420 for her. Mr. Metcalf bought five head for \$1,100. F. R. Sanders of Mesa, Ariz., was the heaviest purchaser, buying eight head for \$1,455.